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Subject: Growth Management Planning comments.

To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of Capitol Hill in Seattle and an employee of the University of Washington. I was notified just today (too late for the meetings, unfortunately) of the updates to the countrywide planning policies, and am particularly concerned with the urban center policies. I recently completed my bachelor's degree at the University, and expect to attend medical school in a larger city such as New York, Chicago, or Boston for the next four years, but whether I return will have a great deal to do with where I feel this city is headed. I am pleased with the progress of our light rail and rapid ride projects, but our unwillingness to embrace true density and all the efficiencies and environmental that go along with it is troubling. I wanted to take this opportunity to put forth my support for greater density in our urban centers in the strongest possible terms - the growth of our city and appeal for advanced business sectors depends on it. I was informed of this council here, and I feel they make the case better than I could hope to: <http://citytank.org/2011/06/27/this-is-more-important-setting-the-density-of-urban-centers-in-king-county/>.

Thank you for your time,

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